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## Burma - Union of

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### Beans and Pulses Monthly Trade Report - September

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Grain and Feed

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**Report Highlights:**

BM0026 Burma exported 70,381 metric tons of beans and pulses in September, an increase of 11 percent from the same period in 2009, with 91 percent going to India. There were no exports of beans and pulses through border Trade.

## Trade

Burma's beans and pulses exports in September 2010 totaled 70,381 MT, up 11 percent from 63,216 MT in September 2009, most of the shipments were destined to India. Matpe (Black gram) accounted for 67 percent of the total exports, followed by Mung bean (Greengram) 15 percent and Toor Whole (Pigeon pea) 13 percent. India remained the largest buyer accounting for 63,994 MT or 91 percent of total exports.

Total exports of beans and pulses in the first 8 months of 2010 (Jan- August) also declined significantly by 57 percent from 1,299,344 MT in 2009 to 745,252 MT in 2010 due to increased cultivation and production in India in response to the Indian government's price incentive program.

Only 6,500 MT of Matpe ready cargo (RC) and 1,150 MT of Matpe Special RC were traded in Bayint Naung wholesale market

### Beans and Pulses Exports by Types and Destination in September, 2010 (MT)

	<b>Butter</b>	<b>Matpe</b>	<b>Mung</b>	<b>Toor Whole</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
India		46,857	8,000	9,137		63,994
Indonesia					800	800
Japan	70				600	670
Korea	60					60
Malaysia					435	435
Pakistan			2,633			2,633
Philippines					870	870
Russia					270	270
Singapore	60					60
Thailand					589	589
<b>Total</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>46,857</b>	<b>10,633</b>	<b>9,137</b>	<b>3,564</b>	<b>70,381</b>

Other category includes kidney, bamboo, black eye, sultani, gram, chickpea and brown beans

	<b>2009</b>		<b>2010</b>	
	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Cumulative Total</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Cumulative Total</b>
January	192,619	192,619	64,576	64,576
February	169,236	361,855	125,428	190,004
March	206,703	568,558	133,315	323,319
April	82,743	651,301	57,379	380,698
May	74,501	725,802	69,025	449,723
June	321,187	1,046,989	79,447	529,170
July	118,805	1,165,794	72,910	602,080
August	70,334	1,236,128	72,791	674,871

September	63,216	1,299,344	70381	745,252
October	116,089	1,415,433		
November	70,899	1,486,332		
December	49,867	1,536,199		

Average exchange rate in September: one US\$= Kyat 860

### **Export prospects**

An official of the Pulses and Beans Traders' Association, as quoted in The Voice Journal, stated that an increase in cultivated area of pulses and beans in India was due to a price incentive program implemented by the Indian government, which has resulted in a softening demand for Burmese Matpe ( Black gram ) and Mung (Green gram) beans and is expected to continue throughout 2010. Additionally, the improving weather conditions in India have resulted in a bumper harvest.

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